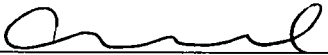


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NOTIFICATION OF ERROR IN  
SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND  
PAYMENT OF DEFICIENCY OWED  
UNDER 37 CFR §1.28(c)

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Sir:

The issue fee and request for continued examination fee, and extension of time fee for the above-identified patent correctly claimed small entity status in good faith. However, it has recently been discovered that such status as a small entity changed on July 22, 2005. Small entity status was continued in good faith when the above fees were paid, but in error due to inadvertence and without deceptive intent. The following submission and itemization hereby meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. Sections 1.28(c)(1) and (c)(2) and MPEP Section 509.03(X).

Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests the total deficiency payment be processed as set out below and that the error be excused.

**ITEMIZATION AND CALCULATION OF THE DEFICIENCY OWED**

DATE FILED	TYPE OF FEE	SMALL FEE ACTUALLY PAID	(CURRENT) LARGE FEE APPLIED	DEFICIENCY PAYMENT OWED
07/21/2006	Issue Fee	\$700	\$1400	\$700
09/19/2005	Request for Continued Examination Fee	\$395	\$790	\$395
09/19/2005	1-Month Extension of Time	\$60	\$120	\$60

**TOTAL DEFICIENCY OWED: \$1155**

Applicants hereby authorize the Commissioner to deduct the total fees of \$1155 from the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 20-1430. Please deduct any additional fees from, or credit any overpayment to, the above-noted Deposit Account.

Applicant understands that under 37 CFR §1.27(g)(2) and §1.28(d) this submission is treated as a notification of loss of small entity status.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 415.576.0200.

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